

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

VARIOUS Counties

MINUTE ORDER

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VARIOUS Districts

Pursuant to Title 43, TAC §§25.500 – 25.505, Safe Routes to School Program, the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) may distribute designated federal funds to the Safe Routes to School Program to enhance safety in and around school areas through a comprehensive program designed to improve the bicycle and pedestrian safety of school age children; encourage a healthy and active lifestyle from an early age; enable and encourage children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school; and to facilitate projects and activities that will improve safety and reduce traffic, fuel consumption, and air pollution in the vicinity of schools.

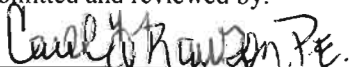
A call for project applications for the Safe Routes to School Program, opening on August 28, 2009 and closing on November 30, 2009 was published in the *Texas Register* on August 17, 2009. The call requested applications for infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects. The Texas Department of Transportation Bicycle Advisory Committee and the project evaluation committee evaluated projects based on methodology developed in accordance with the selection criteria, pursuant to Title 43, TAC, §25.504. The Director of Traffic Operations reviewed the recommendations of the committees and compiled the recommendation for the commission.

In selecting the projects shown in Exhibit A, Infrastructure Projects, and Exhibit B, Non-Infrastructure Projects, the commission, pursuant to Title 43, TAC, §25.504, considered:

- the recommendations of the Director of Traffic Operations
- safety of the traveling public
- safety in and around school areas
- funding availability

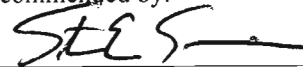
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM – 2009 PROGRAM CALL projects, as shown in Exhibits A and B are approved and the executive director is directed to enter into any necessary agreements and proceed in the most feasible and economical manner with program development at an estimated infrastructure construction cost of \$45,645,172 and non-infrastructure project cost of \$8,437,928. Federal funding will consist of \$54,083,100 apportioned under Section 1404 of Public Law 109-59, SAFETEA-LU.

Submitted and reviewed by:



Director, Traffic Operations Division

Recommended by:



Executive Director

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